of stone and other minerals in the catchments and watershed areas serving important water bodies in arid and semi-arid zones;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, what steps are being contemplated to prevent both legal and illegal mining in such areas where the water flow is disrupted as a result thereof obstructing the collection of this vital resource; and

(c) whether any survey has been carried out for identification of such zones where mining is to be prohibited completely?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Filling up of vacant posts in various Government of India Presses

1733. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 847 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 26th July, 1991 and state:

(a) the names of the vacant posts which are not required in the interest of the production work; and names of the other vacant posts which are being filled up in each Press in the interest of the production work;

(b) whether Government propose to abolish those vacant posts which are not required in the interest of production work; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) Vacancies are not being allowed to be filled up with a view to absorbing the staff that might be rendered surplus in the event of the implementation of the decision to close down four units. There is no proposal at present under consideration for abolition of any of these vacant posts. The names of the posts other than those mentioned in reply to Unstarred Question No. 847 for 26th July, 1991 which are being filled up are as under:—

Govt. of India Press, Minto Rd. (Photolitho Unit), New Delhi.

Key-Board Operator	Assistant Artist
Sr. Artist	Retoucher
Jr. Artist	Machine Assistant
Artist Retoucher	(Offset)
	Dark Room Assistant.

Government of India Press, Ring Road, New Delhi.

NIL

Government of India Press, Faridabad.

NIL

Govt. of India Press (Photolitho) Faridabad.

Jr. Artist

Assistant Artist Retoucher.

Besides, certain vacancies in the grade of Peon and Safaiwala have also been allowed to be filled up in the Govt. of India Press Faridabad and in the grade of Lower Division Clerks in the Govt. of India Press (Photolitho) Faridabad, although these are not directly connected with production but ancillary to it.

Inspection by Officials of Slaughter Houses

1734. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some officials working under the slaughter House, MCD Delhi inspect the markets and charge the fees from traders who have already slaughtered the animals without their notice;

(b) if so, whether the above said officials also prevent the sale of deceased/naturally dead animals already slaughtered without their notice by persuading such traders to destroy it in their presence voluntarily; and